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SUBJECT: QUEBEC AND THE VISIT OF FRENCH PARLIAMENTARIAN,
XAVIER DENIAU, TO WASHINGTON

REF: PARIS 36810

1. DENIAU, A FRENCH PARLIAMENTARIAN LONG ACTIVE ON FRANCO-
PHONE AND QUEBECOIS QUESTIONS, HAS MADE A NUMBER OF VISITS
TO WASHINGTON OVER THE YEARS DURING WHICH HE HAS BEEN RE-
CEIVED BY DEPARTMENT OFFICERS. ON HIS MOST RECENT VISIT
DENIAU MET WITH DEPUTY ASSISTANT SEC. VINE. HE ALSO SAW
THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, PETER TARNOFF, WHOM HE HAD MET
DURING AN EARLIER VISIT LAST YEAR. IN SEEKING THESE
APPOINTMENTS FOR DENIAU THE FRENCH EMBASSY EMPHASIZED THAT
HE WOULD BE SPEAKING ON A STRICTLY PERSONAL BASIS AND NOT
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ON BEHALF OF THE GOF.

2. DENIAU'S PRINCIPLE POINT WAS THAT US OBSERVERS WERE
OVER-REACTING TO THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S TREATMENT OF
LEVESQUE DURING HIS VISIT TO PARIS. ACCORDING TO DENIAU,
THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS OVER THE YEARS TRIED TO DO SOME-
THING SPECIAL TO MARK EACH SUCCESSIVE VISIT OF A QUEBECOIS

PRIME MINISTER. ON EACH SUCH OCCASION SOME NEW CEREMONY
OR HONOR WAS DEVISED. THE SPECIAL HONORS PAID LEVESQUE WERE

THUS DIFFERENT, BUT NOT FUNDAMENTALLY AT VARIANCE WITH
TREATMENT GIVEN HIS PREDECESSORS.

3. DENIAU DID MOST OF THE TALKING, PROVIDING HIS PERSONAL
VIEWS ON THE SITUATION IN QUEBEC. HE WAS INFORMED THAT
THE USG REGARDS THE STATUS OF QUEBEC AS AN ISSUE FOR THE
CANADIANS TO RESOLVE. VANCE

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